PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 3725

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Ryoji WATANABE et al.

Group Art Unit: 3725

Application No.: 10/647,235

Examiner:

J. PAHNG

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SHREDDER APPARATUS AND SHREDDING METHOD

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the July 20, 2006 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

The Final Rejection states that it is responsive to a communication filed on May 22, 2006. However, Applicants filed a Supplemental Amendment on July 10, 2006. During an August 9 telephone conference between Examiner Pahng and Applicants' representative, Examiner Pahng agreed to withdraw the current Final Rejection and issue a new Office Action.